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SUBJECT: (Optional)

Television Feeds for White House and USIA

FROM:

Director, Foreign Broadcast
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to whom. Draw a line across column after each comment.)1. Deputy Director for
Science and Technology
Room 6E45, Headquarters

For your approval.

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MEMORANDUM FOR: Deputy Director for Science and Technology

25X1 FROM:

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Director, Foreign Broadcast Information Service

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Evan:

1. This memorandum requests your approval to provide feeds from the FBIS dish at Langley to the White House and USIA per their requests.

25X1 2. White House interest in FBIS video was originally expressed by Rod McDaniel, director of the Crisis Management Center, in discussions with [redacted]. Subsequent to that FBIS provided, at their request, tapes from Moscow television relating to Gorbachev's visit to Paris, which apparently interested Pat Buchanan and others, and resulted in a formal request from NSC staffers Nell Hurley and Mike Kidd for a feed from the FBIS dish. The contact now is with the Plans Division of the White House Communications Agency. FBIS currently has a link from the Langley dish to the Key Building; the White House can take a feed from this line, which is maintained by C&P. It would not go through OCR. Costs would be covered by the White House. The terminal points would be the Crisis Management Staff and the White House Situation Room.

3. USIA is also interested in a feed of the Moscow programming we are currently receiving on the Langley dish. Again, it could be taken from the C&P link to Key Building with USIA doing the funding. The terminal point would be the USIA television center. Again, there would be no OCR involvement.

25X1 4. If there are no inter-agency policy problems, I believe the above can be done as FBIS service to the White House and USIA, with no cost to our Agency, and no involvement of Agency components other than FBIS. Your approval is requested.

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APPROVED:

Deputy Director for Science and Technology

Date

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